



THE AUSTRIANS MAY NOT BE VERY GOOD AT FIGHTING BUT THEY HAVE A COMPENSATING QUALITY. THEY CAN RUN SOME

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Staggering Losses Climax Hun Misery

YANKS HOLD HUNS ON BANKS OF VESLE

Enemy Cannot Retreat Further at Present Without Great Loss of Men and Supplies, Therefore He Is at Bay With Big Guns of Allies Playing Havoc With His Manpower as Hindenberg and Ludendorff Try in Vain to Save the "Eats" and the Shells.

BULLETIN

London, Aug. 13.—Heavy local fighting is reported in progress at Fismette, on the north bank of the Vesle, where the Franco-American forces are holding the line. The allies here were attacked by the enemy and forced to retire to the south bank of the river. An immediate counter-attack was launched and according to the latest reports, the old positions of the allies on the north bank of the river have been restored.

GREAT GERMAN RETIREMENT.

London, Aug. 13.—The French launched an attack this morning on the southern part of the Picardy battle front and according to reports shortly after noon, were making progress in the valley of the Oise. The Germans are evacuating their trenches in the bend of the river west of Bailli and the French are occupying them.

To the northwest the French are almost entirely on the crest of the Lassigny massif, where heavy fighting is in progress.

The enemy is reported destroying villages in his rear. The ruins of Peronne are reported to be burning. Fires have been observed by allied airmen at various points.

The village of L'Econville has been captured by the French and further ground has been gained by them north of the St. Claude farm. (L'Econville is about 3 1/2 miles southeast of Lassigny and virtually on the crest of the ridge overlooking the Oise.)

The French are working around Roye to the west and the south of this important German holding point almost in the center of the Picardy battle front, and now hold high ground in this region.

The wooded area around Des Loges, south of Roye, was captured by the French last night but a German counter-attack drove them back.

BRITISH GAIN MORE GROUND.

London, Aug. 13.—British troops have gained additional ground north of Roye and on the north bank of the Somme, says the official statement from Field Marshal Haig today.

The Germans last night attacked the British positions in the Merris sector, Flanders. They were repulsed.

ALLIED TROOPS ARE PUSHING FORWARD SLOWLY NOW, BUT MAKING GAINS NEVERTHELESS, IN LOCAL ATTACKS

Allied troops are hitting the strengthened German line from the Aisne to the Oise for important local gains at various points, in preparation for further advances. The Germans are making every effort to hold the British, French and Americans in check in their old lines of the winter of 1916-17.

FRENCH ADVANCE TWO MILES.

A break in the German effort to stabilize the fighting positions appears most probable in the region of Lassigny, between Roye and

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YANK SOLDIERS WANT NOVELS OF THE WEST

Library Association Pleads For More Books; 600,000 Already Sent Overseas; May Turn In Volumes at Local Library

The Guthrie public library has received a request from the American Library association's headquarters in Washington for more books from this community for the men overseas.

The appeal from Washington states that new novels and good western stories, whether new or old, are most needed. Books by Zane Grey, Rex Beach, Jack London, Ralph Connor, Owen Wister and O. Henry are very popular. The public library announces that it will receive and forward all suitable books that are turned in. It urges the friends of the soldiers and sailors, many of whom have already responded most generously, to give more books.

The communication received by the library from the Washington headquarters states that over 600,000 books have been sent overseas. The supply is nearly exhausted, and several hundred thousand more will be

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A REAL HAT FOR LADIES.

The XXX Beaver Hat for ladies, made by John B. Stetson is a hat for style, wear and comfort. Price \$15. For sale exclusively by B & M Wenzelberger.

END OF THE COYOTE IN LOGAN IS NEAR

Chairman Hirschi Of the Board Of County Commissioners Submits In Placing a Bounty On the Pests

The farmers of Logan county have made justifiable complaint, during the past few years, of the ravages of coyotes, and the losses incurred by the ravages of these predatory pests have amounted to thousands of dollars in loss of sheep, calves, poultry, and other victims of these cunning varmints whose number have steadily increased within the borders of the county for reasons that are clearly known.

All naturalists credit the coyote family with being the cunningest of the wolf group and have given them credit for almost human intelligence in choosing their habitat, and in using traps and hunters. At any rate they have taken advantage of the fact that continuous coveys have not a price on their heads, and Logan county their depredations, as far as any organized effort to exterminate them was concerned, and they have promptly moved over the line where they were hunted, into this county

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LIGHTSHIP OFF CAPE HATTERAS SUNK BY SUBMARINE



The Diamond Shoals lightship, off Cape Hatteras, was shelled and sunk by a German submarine. The submarine is believed to be the same one which has operated on several other parts of the Atlantic coast.

ALLOTMENTS MAY APPEAR SMALLER

But Soldiers' Dependents Should Not Worry Over This Or Possible Delays In the Future

Oklahoma City, Aug. 13.—(Special) Oklahoma dependents of enlisted or drafted men should not worry in case their allotment allowance checks from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance are reduced in amount or if the checks should be slow in coming. The July allotments are not payable until August and the August allotments until September.

The reduction in amounts is due to a change in the ruling. Hereafter the Bureau will pay allotments only when they carry with them government family allowances and then only in the amounts required to support such allowances. All other allotments will be paid by the branch of the military or naval service in which the man is enlisted. The minimum of \$15.00 a month will be paid by the War Risk Insurance Bureau, regardless of the pay received by the enlisted man. Should an army man for instance, wish to allot half his pay as before the excess will be paid by the War Department through the Quartermaster General. Dependents in doubt should communicate with the Home Service Sections of the American Red Cross.

CLASS A MEN TO GO TO CAMP PIKE

When the 125 registrants from Logan county are sent to Camp Pike, Arkansas, on Monday, August 26th, there will be only 36 white men, and 17 colored men, left in Class A in this county. This includes all Class A registrants for 1917 and 1918, and if more registrants are sent, it will require re-classification of men from other classes, or drawing directly on the available class.

MARSHAL JOFFRE TURNED WRATHFULLY UPON HIS AIDE

"Ill-fated troops do not win battles. The success of this campaign rests not with me—it is fate will be determined in our field kitchens. We must have more cooks, better cooks. Put an ad at once in the Leader Classified Columns."

IT'S DANGEROUS TO BET ON ELECTIONS

Grand Jury At Durant Has Been Called To Probe Election Betting and Negro Lynching

Durant, Aug. 13.—District Judge Jesse M. Hatchett convened the grand jury here this morning and instructed it to make a rigid investigation of betting on the recent election and of the lynching of an escaped negro convict in this county about two months ago. Attorney General E. F. Freling is here assisting in the investigation regarding the lynching.

The negro escaped from the State prison farm across the Washita river in Marshall county and came into this county soon after crossing the river. He came upon a woman at some distance from her house and attacked her with a knife, supposedly to keep her from giving the alarm of his escape. The negro was captured about six miles from the scene of his crime and after being captured he was lynched. The woman died about two weeks after the attack.

CUT OUT THE PIFFLE

As an economy in the use of paper, Washington is asking the daily newspapers to reduce their consumption of newsprint 15 per cent on week days and 20 per cent on Sundays. By omitting piffle and colored supplements most of the daily papers can do as well as that or better.

GUTHRIE PEOPLE SHOULD TAKE WARNING FROM THIS

Marion, Ark., Aug. 13.—Fire of undetermined origin early today destroyed 12 brick stores here and caused a loss estimated at over \$750,000. Lack of adequate water supply handicapped the firemen in fighting the flames. Ashes in the wind helped to prevent a further spread of the fire. The fire was first discovered in a dry-goods store.

Many Schemes and Ideas For Extermination of the Huns Have Been Advanced To England's War Department

London, Aug. 13.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—If the dreams of numerous British amateur inventors who have been besieging the Ministry of Munitions could be realized, the war would have been over long since and little would be left of the German army. Recent proposals include the following:

Freeze the clouds and mount artillery thereon. Train cormorants to fly to Essen to pick the mortar from Krupp's walls so that they will crumble. Trail from balloons monster magnets that would snatch rifles from the hands of the German soldiers.

Perch men on shells to steer them. A suggestion often submitted is to attach a searchlight to an anti-aircraft gun, project the light on a

Gotha and shoot along the beam. Unfortunately, shells will not follow a path of light.

Other schemes for dealing with hostile aircraft are to suspend heavy guns from captive balloons; to arm defense airplanes with scythes; to provide heat rays for setting Zeppelins on fire, and to cover the moon with a big black balloon. To prevent polished balls shining at night and acting as a guide to enemy aircraft, the last coach of the last train is to drop blacking on them.

A shell containing gravel is to lay a pathway over mud, and another containing an irritant powder or a sticky substance, is to hamper machine guns.

The "relay shell" is a favorite proposal, the plan being for a shell at the height of its flight to expel a smaller inner shell. As a shell does not point

directly along its trajectory, it would be impossible to secure accuracy of aim for the second shell.

Among the more miscellaneous projects are:

To petrify German soldiers by squirting cement over them.

To throw snakes by pneumatic propulsion into the enemy trenches.

To penetrate and attack Germany itself via a "tube" built "all the way" from England.

It is said that about one suggestion in ten that reach the Ministry of Munitions is novel and possible.

The Air Ministry announces that its air inventions committee, formed about nine months ago, has examined more than 5,000 inventions and suggestions.

KAISER'S VISION OF TAKING PARIS THIS SUMMER, FOREVER VANISHED

JUDGE HICKAM HOLDS SHORT TERM OF COURT

Judge John P. Hickam was here from Stillwater, yesterday afternoon, and held court for a short time. He disposed of some motions that were pending, and made some orders. This is the first time the judge has been here since his regrettable accident, some months ago, and he was congratulated on his recovery from the injuries he had sustained. He will again hold a court term here on the 29th of this month, at which time motions will be passed upon and orders made, and court cases disposed of.

THREE MEN FROM LOGAN WILL GO TO CAMP DODGE

The Local Examining Board will send three men to Camp Dodge, Iowa, in the near future for limited service. The men to be sent will be from among those who failed in physical examinations, but who can be used in war work where the rigid test is not required, and will release a like number of physically fit men for overseas duty. In this manner many men can be utilized who are competent for duty at home, and as help win the war just as effectively as though sent to the front.

PREMIER LENINE, IN DESPERATION, ISSUES ORDER

Amsterdam, Aug. 13.—A new manifesto advocating the pitiless annihilation of all counter-revolutionaries has been issued by Premier Lenin, says the Rhenisch Westfaelisch Zeitung of Essen. Lenin's retaining grasp beyond their personal needs will be arranged before revolutionary courts as enemies of the people. Capital punishment will be inflicted on illicit traders.

TROUBLE BREWING FOR KAISER AT HOME BASE

Washington, Aug. 13.—Violent controversies are raging in Germany as a result of the second Marne battle between the liberals and Pan-Germans over the question of who is responsible for America's entrance into the war. A dispatch from Switzerland today says both sides are refusing to accept responsibility for American intervention.

The liberals are accusing the Pan-Germans of having provoked the unrestricted submarine warfare. The latter protest and affirm the matter of America's entry into the war was certain.

DRUNKEN HUNS TEAR UP AMERICAN FLAG

U-Boat Commander, After Sinking a Little Fishing Smack In Our Waters, Holds High Carnival

Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 13.—An American flag torn from the mast-head of the little schooner Lena May, one of the fishermen sunk by a German submarine off the New England coast Saturday, was taken aboard the enemy craft by a German officer who wrapped it around his neck and gave a grotesque exhibition of dancing, while his men, each armed with a revolver, looked on and cheered.

This was the story told here today by survivors of the vessel, who were forced to witness the performance. The fishermen had been ordered aboard the U-boat, where ten of them stood against the conning tower to be photographed. As they were being lined up for the picture they were jeered by the U-boat crew and knocked about when they failed to move as rapidly as the commander ordered.

The mate of the Lena May declared that the Germans were drunk.

CAPTURED PRUSSIAN OFFICERS AS WELL AS THE COMMON "FRITZ" RADLY DISCOURAGED OVER COMPLETE DEFEAT ADMINISTERED BY EUROPEAN AIDED BY THE U. S.

Expect long struggle; but Yanks do not

EXPECT LONG STRUGGLE; BUT YANKS DO NOT

AMERICAN CAVALRY DETACHMENT BRAVES THE STORM OF SHELLS TO LOCATE POSITION OF THE ENEMY MACHINE AND HEAVY GUNS; ESCAPE WITH WHOLE SKINS

BULLETIN

London, Aug. 13.—Germany, in the bitterest hour of defeat in the west she has yet known, is menaced in the east not only by the advance of the allied armies, but by the steadily growing movement of underground resistance to her occupation, says the Daily Telegraph in commenting on the situation in Russia.

There is now a part of Russia where German troops are stationed where the commanders have not all they can do to find the people who by force of arms, the tank, the airplane, will soon tell it if they are already, for strong reinforcements sent from the direction of meeting the allied expeditions.

The removal of the German garrisons to Pskov, says the Daily Telegraph, is an admission by the Germans of their intense unpopularity in Russia.

By Gen. Martin.

With American aid in France, Monday. The American and German forces continue their machine gun and artillery duel across the Vesle River and for the last being our boys are making no effort to establish their line any considerable distance south of the river, due in part to the fact that the enemy has greatly strengthened his forces there.

Nevertheless the opinion is well informed military circles here is that the Huns soon will be forced to withdraw to the Aisne. The reverses that he has met within the Rhineland-Rhine salient, coupled with the defeat of the Franco-British forces gave him at Amiens and again at Montdidier, fast is demonstrating that he is receiving repeated strong blows which are likely to keep him on the defensive.

Until this withdrawal comes it is certain that our men and our Allies will continue with ever-increasing energy their constant pounding and harassing of the enemy. And in connection with these efforts by the Allied troops there are constantly coming out of the battle zone tales of heroism as brilliant as any ever recounted by romances. One of the very best of these relates to Lieutenant W. R. Baldwin, and American cavalryman, whose home is at No. 281 Park street, Albany, N. Y.

Fresh from the front where he penetrated farther north of the Vesle than any of the Allied officers or enlisted men, I saw him today just as he came out of the thick of the fighting, the personification of courage, the personification of courage.

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Tonight and Wednesday Partly Cloudy to Cloudy.